IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: R. Penterman ATTY, DOCK NO.: NL030981US1

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FOR: Polymeric stratified-phase-separated composite and method of manufacturing the same

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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 5, 2009, the Applicant hereby requests amendment of the above-identified application as follows: